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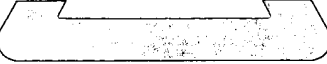
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HELICOPTER ATTACK REGIMENT
POLOTSK AIRFIELD NORTHWEST, USSR

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1. (S/D) **SIGNIFICANCE:** A HELICOPTER ATTACK REGIMENT IS NEWLY IDENTIFIED IN THE CARPATHIAN MILITARY DISTRICT. HALO, THE NEW SOVIET HEAVY LIFT HELICOPTER, MAY ALSO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ATTACK REGIMENT AND SUGGESTS THAT HALO IS NOW ENTERING SERVICE AS A REPLACEMENT FOR HOOK.
2. (S/D) **REMARKS:** A HELICOPTER ATTACK REGIMENT IS NEWLY IDENTIFIED AT POLOTSK AIRFIELD NORTHWEST IN THE CARPATHIAN MILITARY DISTRICT. THIS REGIMENT CONSISTS OF 15 HIP AND FIVE HIND (NOT ALL ON GRAPHIC). TEN HIP AND SIX HIND WERE PRESENT IN THE CLOUD-FREE AREAS ON [REDACTED] IN ADDITION, ONE HALO IS PRESENT AND MAY BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE ATTACK REGIMENT. THIS IS THE SECOND DEPLOYMENT OF HALO AT AN OPERATIONAL AIRFIELD. 25X1

(S/D) THE HALO IS A NEW SOVIET HEAVY LIFT HELICOPTER WHICH COULD BEGIN REPLACING THE HOOK. APPARENTLY, THE HALO IS NOW BEGINNING TO ENTER SERVICE. THE ONLY OTHER OPERATIONAL DEPLOYMENT OF HALO OCCURRED ON [REDACTED] AT TORZHOK AIRFIELD [REDACTED] THE TORZHOK DEPLOYMENT WAS ALSO ASSOCIATED WITH A HELICOPTER ASSAULT REGIMENT. PRIOR TO THIS HELICOPTER DEPLOYMENT, POLOTSK SUPPORTED LIGHT TRANSPORT OPERATIONS. POLOTSK IS IN THE CARPATHIAN MILITARY DISTRICT AND TORZHOK IS IN THE MOSCOW MILITARY DISTRICT. 25X1

3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 55-36-34N 028-40-38E 25X1

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